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**RESPONSE**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2002, Applicants wish to amend the application as follows:

**In the Drawings:**

Amend drawing Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Enclosed herewith is a proposed amendment to the drawings. Approval is requested.

**In the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 10 of page 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:

*A1*

The anode arrangement 5 comprises a crucible 9 receiving silicon melt 11, from whose surface 13 silicon particles evaporate into the gas space over the crucible 9 toward beverage bottle 3. Arrows 15, in this case, symbolize particles evaporating from the silicon surface 13.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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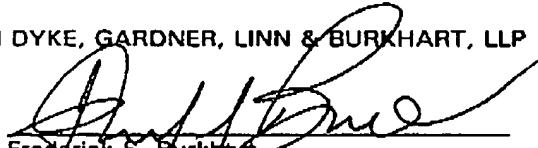
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- Small entity status of this application 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
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1. RESPONSE (9 pages)
2. VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE (6 pages)
3. CLAIMS AS AMENDED form (1 page)
4. CORRECTED DRAWING FIGS. 1-5 (3 pages)

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